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Application No.: 10/578,734  PCT Filed: November 10, 2004	
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For: DEVICE FOR PROVIDING SPONGY BONE WITH BONE SUBSTITUTE AND/OR BONE REINFORCING MATERIAL, BONE SUBSTITUTE AND/OR BONE REINFORCING MATERIAL AND METHOD	) ) ) ) ) ) )

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## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the listed documents on the attached PTO SB/08 Form. To the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign patent and non-patent literature documents are attached. Copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

Citation Nos. 15 and 16 are English language abstracts for Japanese documents already of record in this application. With respect to the non-English language documents. Applicant submits the following remarks:

- JP 2001-510078 A This document is believed to be related to U.S.
   Patent No. 5,837,752 cited concurrently herewith.
  - 2. JP 2001-517997 T An English language abstract is submitted herewith.
- 3. <u>JP 2002-058736 A</u> An English language machine translation is submitted herewith.
- 4. <u>JP 2003-507090 A</u> This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 6,706,273 cited concurrently herewith.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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